

## GIRL ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLING IS MISSING

Had Threatened Suicide If Wrongdoing Was Made Public.

CASH TAKEN TO COURT.

Then Pretty Theresa Broderick Disappeared and Mother Fears Ended Life.

SHE IS BROKEN-HEARTED

Trusted Girl Doctored Books, but What She Did With Money Is a Mystery.

A broken-hearted mother is anxious awaiting tidings of Miss Theresa Broderick, who disappeared, it is alleged, to escape prosecution for embezzlement, and has threatened to commit suicide if the facts of her alleged wrong-doing become public.

Miss Broderick was the confidential maid of John Coles, a wholesale hardware dealer of No. 10 Warren Street, Manhattan. She is a handsome, intelligent young woman, and her fine clothes were always the envy of the dozen or more girls employed in the office. Her employer had the most absolute confidence in her honesty, and she was trusted to make out checks and have charge of the books.

Yesterday an order-of-arrest was issued against her by Justice Jaycox, of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, directing the Sheriff to take her into custody in \$1,500 bail. She has not been found, but the order has revealed her alleged temptation and wrongdoing and discloses a letter she is alleged to have written her employer begging for leniency and mercy.

Miss Broderick was not suspected until August, while she was on her vacation. Her books were turned over to Miss Lucy Lanckster according to affidavits submitted to Al Cole yesterday, reported the discrepancies.

**Threatened Suicide.**

Miss Broderick was notified, it is stated in the affidavits, and replied that it was a mistake that could be easily rectified. When she returned from her vacation, further investigation disclosed going over the accounts with her employer, and suddenly disappeared on Aug. 22.

The next day Mr. Coles received the following letter:

"Dear Mr. Coles: do not know how to begin my letter, but it must be done. There is no sin in my pretending my books are all right when you come up, pretty one. A year is quickly sped, and he will return to thee."

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gain absolutely nothing, for as soon as I hear that there is a warrant out for me you will not find me alive again. Please go to my mother as soon as you get this and you won't lose one cent. I will be forever to you for the rest of my life. My mother will show you a letter written to you." He made an effort to adjust the alledged shortage of \$2,016, but was unsuccessful.

—*For She Is Dead.*

Mrs. Broderick's friends fear that she will take her own life. She has not ready made so. If any of them, or relatives, know where she is, they have succeeded in keeping it a secret and do not have the slightest idea of what has become of her.

Her mother to-day declined to discuss the affair, and Mr. Coles said that he had no knowledge of the method or concealing the alleged shortage was simple, and would not have stood the ordeal of a close inspection of the books.

What Miss Broderick did, with a heavy sum of money, is a great mystery. The amount of the sum always more much finer, and possessed a few jewels, but not enough to have accounted for the expenditure of nearly \$1,000 in a few months.

**COMMANDS DEAD TO RISE.**

Intruder in a House of Mourning Incontinently Thrown Out.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Nov. 22.—The farmland community north of this city is wrought up to a high pitch of excitement by the actions of a strange man who has boldly set forth to follow the steps of the Saviour by causing the dead to rise and live.

While the mourners at the James McDonald home sat bowed in grief about the bier of Mrs. McDonald this man entered the home, and before his intentions could be divined, stepped up to the casket, and in a loud tone of voice commanded the dead woman to arise and walk.

The man frightened the mourners nearly out of their wits. When the bystanders came to their senses and realized that he was causing the fresh-faced woman to rise, they pushed him aside, and, as maniacs, they sprang forward and thrust the man from the house, he all the time protesting that he had been delegated by God to bring the dead back to life.

**T. M. COMMERCIAL CONGRESS**

Wide Range of Subjects Discussed at Yesterday's Session.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 22.—The sessions yesterday and last night of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress were devoted to speeches and resolutions relating to improved waterways, insurance and currency reforms, the value of the Panama canal as a means of enlarging our trade relations with the South American Republics and the necessity of closer relations between the United States and the countries between the Great Lakes to the South of the International Boundary, and the resources of Alaska.

The speakers were Ex-Gov. of Alaska, J. G. Brady, now of Boston; W. D. Vandiver, Superintendent of Insurance of Missouri; J. Randolph of Louisiana; President of the National Bank and Trust Company; John Barrett, Minister to Colombia; Congressman Morris Shepard, of Texas; Minister Calderon of Bolivia; Pedro L. Vélez; Cortes of Colombia, and Guizel De Arevalo, of the Brazilian Legation.

**Her Awful Dread.**

(From the Cleveland Leader.) "Why does thou weep, fair maiden?"

"My lover, kind sir, has gone on a foreign quest, and he will not return to me for a whole year."

"He left up, pretty one. A year is quickly sped, and he will return to thee."

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## ICEMEN GIVE UP, ASK COURT'S MERCY

Philadelphia Exchange Disbands, Pleading No Lawless Intent.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 22.—Five of the fourteen ice dealers placed on trial in the criminal court here on the charge of conspiracy to raise the price of ice, pleaded non vult yesterday, and threw themselves upon the mercy of the court. A plea of this character is virtually an admission of guilt, but carries with it the excuse that the offender had no intention to break the law, and had no knowledge that an offense was being committed. Before entering the plea, counsel for the icemen announced that the Philadelphia Ice Exchange, through which the price of ice was fixed, had been dissolved.

The five men were sentenced to pay a fine of \$15 each and costs. They are: Samuel Freer, local agent of the Mountain Ice Company; Joseph W. Richardson, John Hancock Ice Company; John G. Gustine, Standard Ice Company; J. E. Bircher, Jefferson Ice Company, and

John Moore, Consolidated Ice Company. Following the entering of the plea District Attorney Bell asked the Court to direct a verdict of not guilty in the cases of seven of the other defendants. Henry W. Bahrenberg, President of the Mountain Ice Company, and Waite Lee, local agent of the American Ice Company of New York, refused to enter the plea of non vult and decided to stand trial. Mr. Bell said that the seven defendants ordered acquitted were not manufacturers of ice, but mere dealers: that he had come to the conclusion that they were victims of circumstances and were compelled to abide by the prices fixed by the exchange.

The special significance of the convictions was that District Attorney Bell pressed a charge of criminal collusion under the old common law, applicable to all combinations and in all the cases of the ice dealers. The trial proceeding is of vital importance to all capital and all great industrial, since, of the principle of law is sustained, it will destroy all of the trusts.

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